

REMARKS

Claims 1-58 are pending in this application. Claims 1-28 stand rejected. Claims 29-38 have been allowed. Claim 39 has been objected to. Reconsideration and further examination of the subject patent application in light of the present Amendment and Remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims Objections

Claim 39 has been objected to for being a method claim dependent upon a system claim. In response, claim 39 has been amended to be a system claim.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §101

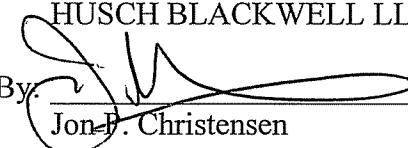
Claims 1-28 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. In response, independent claim 1 has been clarified by being further directed to “a plurality of members, supporters or contributors at respective user terminals of a computer system connected to a communications network accessing a preparation tool or computer program within a computer processing unit of a charity or not-for-profit organization server or communication network.” Independent claim 28 has been similarly clarified. The user terminals 2, 4 that may, in one embodiment, be a computer system is discussed in the second full paragraph of page 5 and is shown in FIGs. 1 and 2 of the specification. The computer processing unit 24 of the server 6 is discussed in the second full paragraph of page 6 and is shown in FIG. 1 of the specification. Since claims 1-28 are now clearly directed to use within a particular machine, the rejections are now improper and should be withdrawn.

Closing Remarks

For the foregoing reasons, applicant submits that the subject application is in condition for allowance and earnestly solicits an early Notice of Allowance. Should the Primary Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application, the Primary Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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